Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Daniel Christian Schenk was born on Christmas Day 1942, and has been a doting and devoted husband to his artist wife, Rebecca, since their marriage on October 4, 1969; and,

Whereas, Dan and Becky have spent their lives caring for Blue, Trapper, Bob, Carl and Phillip, a series of dogs unique in their hybrid, vigor and select DNA; and,

Whereas, Dan has spent countless hours as a raconteur, playing polo, renovating a Black Hills cabin at great and painful personal expense, traveling the world, coordinating the German Marshall Fellows who visit South Dakota annually, castrating cattle and taunting the Grim Reaper by motorcycling without a helmet; and,

Whereas, Dan attained a bachelor of science degree from The University of South Dakota and began his career in state government working for the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration's State Planning Agency; and,

Whereas, Dan became the personnel and training officer for the Unified Judicial System (UJS) at its inception January 1, 1975, and has served as interim State Court Administrator on four occasions; and,

Whereas, Dan has served as the Unified Judicial System's representative on the Governor's Personnel Management Advisory Board since its inception; and,

Whereas, Dan's knowledge of the human resources field has been instrumental in guiding and directing the Unified Judicial System's personnel system, and UJS and the state of South Dakota are grateful for his professionalism, guidance and institutional memory; and,

Whereas, Dan has been dedicated to the UJS and the state of South Dakota throughout his 35 years of public service, and he is wise to retire now that former law clerks he dubbed as "pinheads" are now judges; and,

Whereas, Daniel C. Schenk will retire on July 8, 2006, from a distinguished career with the South Dakota Unified Judicial System, and for this commitment he will be honored on June 29, 2006:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 8, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, friends and family as they recognize and congratulate him on a long and successful career, and also wish him a long, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Sixth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State